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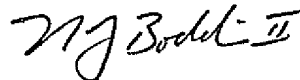
Pursuant to 35 USC §134, 37 CFR 1.191, and MPEP §1205, the Applicants in the above-identified patent application hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Office Action dated June 16, 2006, at least twice rejecting or finally rejecting Claims 27-45 and 47-49.

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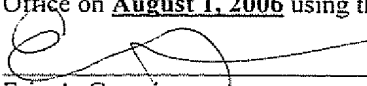


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